

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Scharp, et al.
App. No	:	10/684,859
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For	:	IMPLANTATION OF ENCAPSULATED BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS FOR TREATING DISEASES
Examiner	:	Azpuru, Carlos A
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
AND AMENDMENT****Mail Stop RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of U.S. Application No. 10/684,859. In response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2007, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.